

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended): A purified polypeptide or salt thereof consisting of: SEQ ID NO:1,  
and

having a disulfide bond between two of the cysteines contained in SEQ ID NO:1.

2-8. (Cancelled)

9. (Currently Amended): A mechano-sensitive channel inhibitor comprising ~~one of the polypeptides or salts~~ the polypeptide or salt thereof described in claim 1 ~~one of claims 1 to 5 and 11-14.~~

10. (Currently Amended): A medicament for atrial fibrillation comprising ~~one of the polypeptides or salts~~ the polypeptide or salt thereof described in claim 1 ~~one of claims 1 or 3.~~

11-14. (Cancelled)